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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: Preparation of a SNIE

It is requested that the USIB prepare an SNIE directed to answering the following questions:

What is the capability of the NVN/VC forces to wage a protracted conflict in the South? Has Hanoi concluded that protracted conflict is impossible and that it must gain a victory this year or collapse? Is enemy capability likely to decline or increase over the next year?

In view of the urgency of this matter, I would appreciate receiving the SNIE by cob, March 1, 1968.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Paul C. Warnke", is positioned above the printed name.

PAUL C. WARNKE

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